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HOW MISS FRASER, OF PHILADELPHIA, CAME TO MARRY ONE OF THE BONAPARTES—THE FALLEN FORTUNES OF THE FAMILY AT THE TIME—NAPOLEONIC SCANDALS.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

PARIS, March 1.—The late Princess Murat was one of the many links between the United States of America and the Imperial Court of France, where she was allowed to rank as wife of a prince of the blood. She made a love match. The year she exchanged the name of Fraser for that of Murat, the fortunes of the Bonaparte family were at a low ebb. Caroline, the widow of King Joachim, the youngest sister of Napoleon, and the mother-in-law of Miss Fraser, was dying in poverty at Trieste. Louis Napoleon was a moaning adventurer, in debt and difficulties, and dependent for nerve and sustenance on the beautiful Mrs. Gordon, whom at Ham he charged Louis Blanc to kiss for him. Charlotte, the widow of Louis Kisse, eldest son of the King of Holland and Queen Hortense, and the daughter of Joseph Bonaparte, was following her scandalous down-hill career in the Eternal City. She had been the Delilah of

Leopold Robert, the painter, who died in a paroxysm of jealousy which she excited. The Pope contemplated banishing her from the States of the Church. Mme. Bonaparte Wyse was the paramour of an Irish officer, Captain Johnstone, in a quarrel in the Rue de Rivoli, along with her friends, Madame, Batzani and Mrs. Turrill. Lucien's sons, Pierre and Antoine, were filibusters with no fixed home, and held in opprobrium wherever they went. The one bright spot in the darkened sky was the marriage at Florence of Jerome Napoleon's daughter Mathilde to the Prince Demidoff. Mathilde, then a young woman of superb beauty and brilliant accomplishments, came with her wealthy and barbarous Russian husband to Paris to agitate for her family and to open a Bonapartist salon to which Thiers promised to bring his friends.

Whilst she was shining in Parisian society, and as a subject of Czar Nicholas and a cousin of his son-in-law defying the police of Louis Philippe to exel her, Lucien Murat was trying to eke out a subsistence for himself and his young wife by teaching French to American Quakers. She was an estimable but not lovable woman. The Scot is the

most respectable but the least amiable member of the Celtic family, and there was much of Scotland in the mental complexion and the instincts of this princess of the blood that was to be. She was banished with the pros of the Quakers amongst whom she lived. The Caledonian redoubt had failed into the hands of the little circle of the Quakers, who were reserved, and a sharper woman about money never lived. The rapacity of the Murat family, of which Prince Achille's death, she was the head, pressed severely on the Quakers, and she was banished to the Tuileries, which her daughter Anne enjoyed at the Tuileries to make haunts and enrich herself and her other children, one of whom had married a Mr. Garden. It was a source of religious principles of her youth when stupid Spanish superstition, which was incarnate in the Empress, reigned at the Tuileries. The American Emperor, who had her husband up to the national form of Christianity, but was not able to induce her soul to practise it. They are dead scamps, with the

vices of the different countries by which they are surrounded. One of them having outrun the constable in France, has gone to live on his wife's relatives, in Mergellia. Another serves as a soldier in Algeria. Their mother lived in communion with the Reformed Church of France till she was nearly three years dead. It was then decided that it would be of political utility to transfer her to the Romish fold, in order to take her remains to St. Augustin's and have a mass attended by Bonaparte himself, for her soul's repose. Anna, her youngest daughter, and at the present time Duchess de Mouchy, to diem the jealousy of the Empress Eugenie, embraced the Catholicism. As a neophyte, she was first instructed in it by the ill-fated Countess D'Agny, who, at the same time, catechised the Prince Imperial, and prepared him for the First Communion.

The American Princess and her sister, Miss Fraser, resided together after the break down of the Empire. Their lodgings were near the town house of the Duchess de Mouchy, for whom the old ladies overhailed the butler's and cook's accounts, looked after the manors and government, and made the chief applied his skill in the interests of economy.

POLITICAL NEWS.

THE BINGHAMTON SENATE DISTRICT ELECTION.
The vacancy in the State Senate, caused by the death of Peter W. Hopkins (Rep.), of the XXIVth

District, will be filled at a special election to-morrow. The nominees of the two parties are Edwin G. Halbert (Rep.) and Samuel D. Holliday (Dem.), of Itasca. The District is composed of Broome, Tioga and Tompkins Counties, and in 1877 voted as follows for State Senators: Peter W. Hopkins (Rep.), 11,584; Joseph B. Sprague (Dem.), 10,733; Royal W. Clinton (Pro.), 226; scattering, 16; total vote, 22,561; Hopkins's plurality, 853; Hopkins's majority, 611. Last year these counties

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.
CINCINNATI, March 23.—At the Democratic Convention yesterday Senator A. Harris was nominated for Mayor. The following nominations were also made: For judge of the Supreme Court, Alfred Yapple; Board of Public Works, Nat. C. Caldwell; City Solicitor, C. W. Gerard; City Treasurer, Daniel Metz; Judges of the Police Court, M. F. Wilson; Police Commissioner, L. W. Fechtmeier; Prosecuting Attorney, Thomas L. Cogan.

Town Varies. On leaving the theatre the officers were followed by a party of roughs, numbering from forty to fifty, who seemed determined on a rescue. Policeman Clenev, who had charge of the prisoner, was violently assaulted, thrown down and badly choked by his man, Sergeant Harvey, being hard pressed, drew his revolver and warned the mob to keep back. At this moment Clenev was down, struggling with the prisoner, who was on top, gripping him by the throat.

Officer Harvey was then assaulted and struck violently several times, when he fired, killing Thomas Weiden, the ringleader. A jury of inquest was summoned, and, tonight, after examining a number of witnesses, rendered a verdict that the shooting was justifiable.

THE RUSTICATED RETURNING.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 23.—Sixty-five of the eighty students who were given a forced vacation from St. Stephen's College have returned. Parkensen,

who put a fellow student under the pump, has gone to Hubert College, Geneva, with several of his classmates who left St. Stephen's with him.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

— CROWDED WITH ORDERS FOR STEEL RAILS. SCHENCK, FEHL, March 23. The Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company will double its steel mill force on Monday to meet the increased demand for steel rails.

— PROMOTED TO BE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT. PHILADELPHIA, March 23. — Charles E. Fughr, general agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad, is to be made general superintendent of the road, with headquarters at

HINKEN DEMANDING THEIR BACK PAY.
SCRANTON, Penn., March 23.—The miners of the Pennsylvania Anthracite Coal Company threaten to prevent the formation of a union unless the wages they are paid for the Receiver Act also be compromised with them.

THE LAUNCH OF A STEAMSHIP.
CHRISTY, Penn., March 23.—The launch of the steamship *Washington* took place at Pottsville shipyard yesterday. She was built for the New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Company and is the largest launch ever constructed in this country.

BISHOP SCARBOROUGH AT LONG BRANCH.
LONG BRANCH, N. J., March 23.—Bishop Scarborough visited Long Branch today and preached in St. John's Episcopal Church. He will be in the city tomorrow to conduct two candidates. The Rev. Elliot R. Koussin, assistant rector, will officiate.

THE BURIAL OF DR. TOWNSEN.
MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 23.—The funeral services for the late Dr. H. B. Novak took place at Hartwig's private chapel, Bishop Wells officiating. A large concourse of people was present, many of them being relatives and friends of the deceased. The remains were taken to the college.